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**From:** Spelman, John  
**Sent:** Wed 8/12/2015 7:11:53 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Gold King

I think Cindy is just talking about the hourly payroll rate being used. R9 should be slightly higher than R6 due to locality pay, but not 2 ½ times as much (\$60 vs \$150).

John

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**From:** Ferguson, Ralph  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 1:46 PM  
**To:** Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John  
**Subject:** FW: Gold King

FYI....my guess on this one would be level of work since R9 was the last one to be affected by the response.

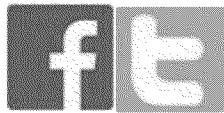
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**From:** Brown, Cynthia  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 1:23 PM  
**To:** Ferguson, Ralph  
**Subject:** FW: Gold King

Ralph, I just send this to Barbara Lee in Region 9. I'm pretty surprised by the difference in loaded rates each region is using. I'll discuss this more when I see you later this afternoon.

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**From:** Brown, Cynthia  
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**To:** Lee, Barbara; Portillos, Christine  
**Cc:** Guria, Peter  
**Subject:** RE: Gold King

We are currently charging all site work to the Region 6 account number.

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**Payroll**    \$25,560/day    38 people/\$60 loaded rate

**Travel**    \$9,400/day    16 people/\$250/day

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**Contracts**

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SCI-Computer Help \$1,200

START Reg 6-\$95,000/day

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**From:** Lee, Barbara  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 11:32 AM  
**To:** Portillos, Christine  
**Cc:** Brown, Cynthia; Guria, Peter

**Subject:** RE: Gold King

Hi Christine,

Good talking to you this morning. Here are what we've obligated for the Gold King Response.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Payroll:

\$17k/ day - 14 people at \$150/hr loaded rate

Travel (R8 SSID):

\$23k/day - 9 people at \$250/day.

**Current Obligations:**

Contracts/IA (R9 SSID):

\$ 75,000 – ERRS

\$517,000 – START

\$ 70,000 – PST IA

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**From:** Lee, Barbara  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 8:53 AM  
**To:** Portillos, Christine  
**Subject:** RE: Gold King

Hi Christine,

Just left you a VM. It would be good to touch base to discuss coordination and funding issues. Please give me a call at 415-595-8346. Thanks.

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**From:** Portillos, Christine  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 7:11 AM  
**To:** Lee, Barbara  
**Subject:** Gold King

Hello,

My name is Christine Portillos I'm the FOC here in Durango for both the Incident Command and Area Command I have a few questions so if you could please call me.

Personal Phone/Ex. 6

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